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**AFFIDAVIT UNDER 37 CFR 1.131**

I, the undersigned, Joshua Hug, as a joint inventor of the subject application (filed on November 21, 2003) and all claims contained therein, do hereby declare that:

1. The subject application was filed on November 21, 2003.
2. The subject application, as filed, included thirty-one claims, all of which are currently pending.
3. Of the thirty-one pending claims, nine claims (i.e., claims 1, 15, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31) are independent claims and twenty-two claims (i.e., claims 2-14, 16-21 and 23-25) are dependant claims.
4. The subject matter claimed in the subject application was conceived prior to July 5, 2003.
5. Prior to July 5, 2003, the invention claimed in the subject application was disclosed in an Invention Disclosure Form. A true and accurate copy of the Invention Disclosure Form is attached as Exhibit A, except that the copy has been redacted to remove all references to dates. The Invention Disclosure Form (i.e., Exhibit A) evidences the conception of the invention claimed in the subject application, which occurred prior to July 5, 2003.
6. Diligent pursuit of actual reduction to practice of the invention claimed in the subject application began prior to July 5, 2003, and continued, without lapse, at through the subject application filing date of November 21, 2003.

7. A true and accurate copy of an email dated July 1, 2003 is attached as Exhibit B. The email (Exhibit B) is a communication relating to the design and development of the invention claimed in the subject application and infrastructure necessary to implement the invention claimed in the subject application.
8. A true and accurate copy of an email dated July 11, 2003 is attached as Exhibit C. The email (Exhibit C) relates to development of the invention claimed in the subject application and infrastructure necessary to implement the invention claimed in the subject application.
9. A true and accurate copy of an email dated August 1, 2003 is attached as Exhibit D. The email (Exhibit D) relates to development of the invention claimed in the subject application and infrastructure necessary to implement the invention claimed in the subject application.
10. A true and accurate copy of an email dated August 15, 2003 is attached as Exhibit E. The email of August 15, 2003 included two PowerPoint™ file attachments, also included in Exhibit E. The email and the attachments (Exhibit E) relate to development of the invention claimed in the subject application and infrastructure necessary to implement the invention claimed in the subject application.
11. A true and accurate copy of an email dated September 30, 2003 is attached as Exhibit F. The email of September 30, 2003 included a text file attachment containing software code, also included in Exhibit F. The email and the attachment (Exhibit F) relate to development of the invention claimed in the subject application and infrastructure necessary to implement the invention claimed in the subject application.
12. A true and accurate copy of an email dated October 8, 2003 is attached as Exhibit G. The email of October 8, 2003 included two text file attachments containing software code, also included in Exhibit G. The email and the attachment (Exhibit G) relate to development of the invention claimed in the subject application and infrastructure necessary to implement the invention claimed in the subject application.

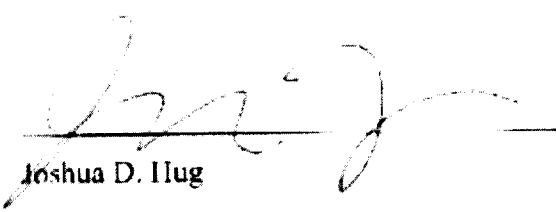
13. The Invention Disclosure Form (Exhibit A) and the email (Exhibits B through G) also evidence the diligent pursuit of actual reduction to practice, which began prior to July 5, 2003, and continued through the November 21, 2003 filing date of the subject application.

14. Being hereby warned that willful false statements are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any resulting Letters Patent issuing thereon, I state that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

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